

“Small Holes, Big Wins”

Onondaga County’s CSO Abatement Program’s
Approach to Optimizing CSO Regulator Performance

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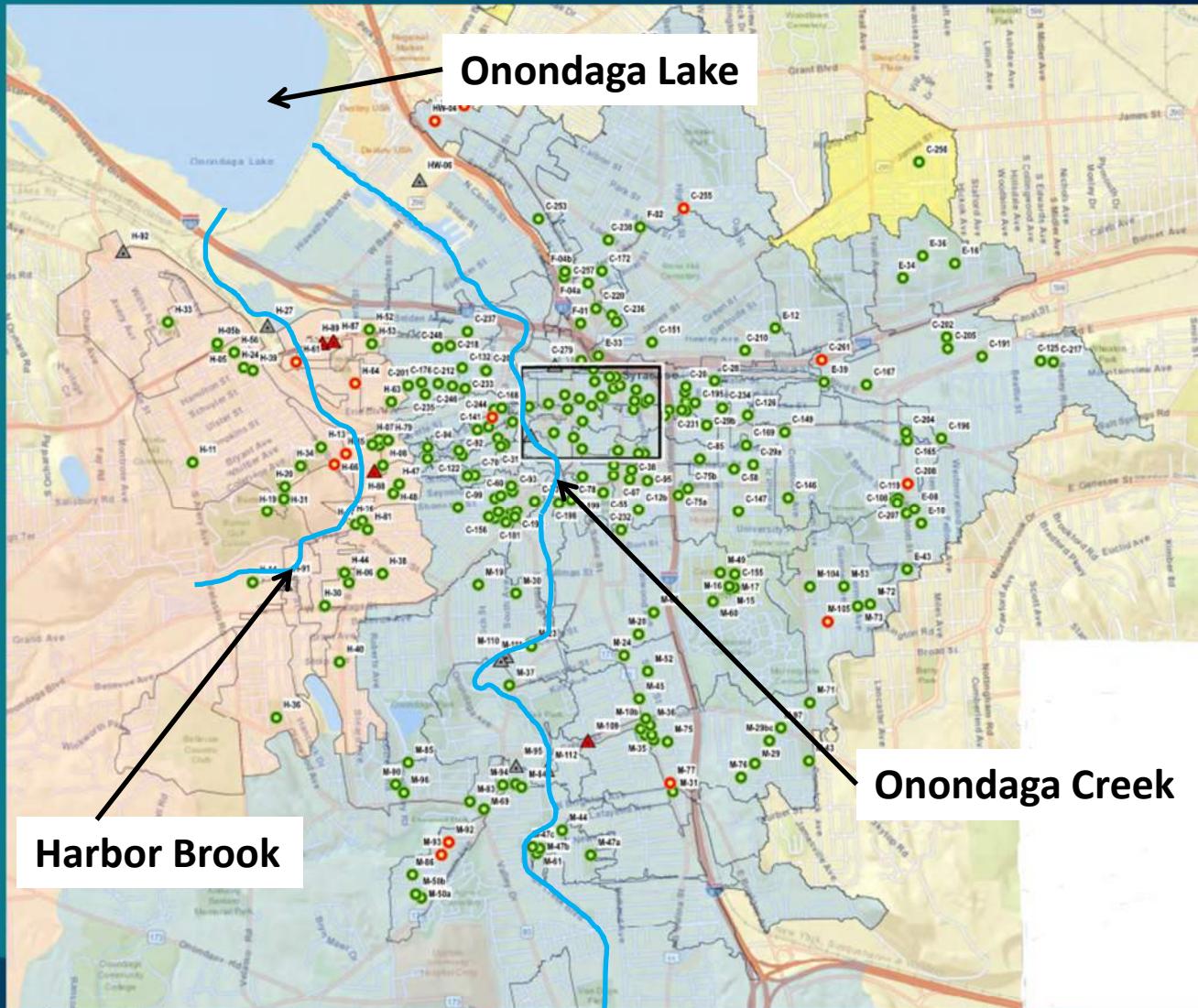


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Onondaga County - America's First Green Infrastructure Consent Order

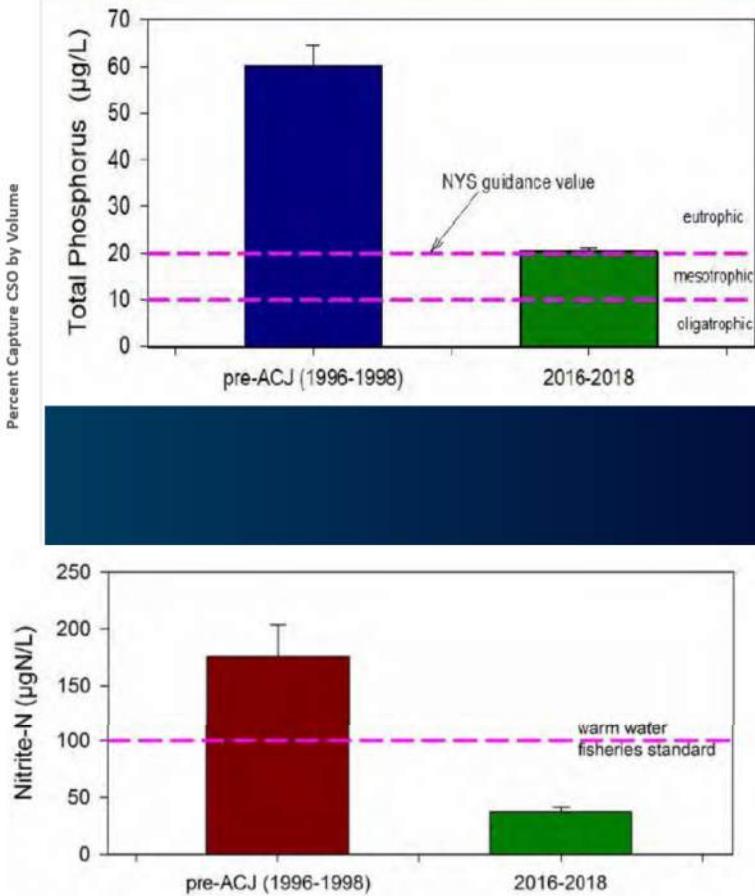
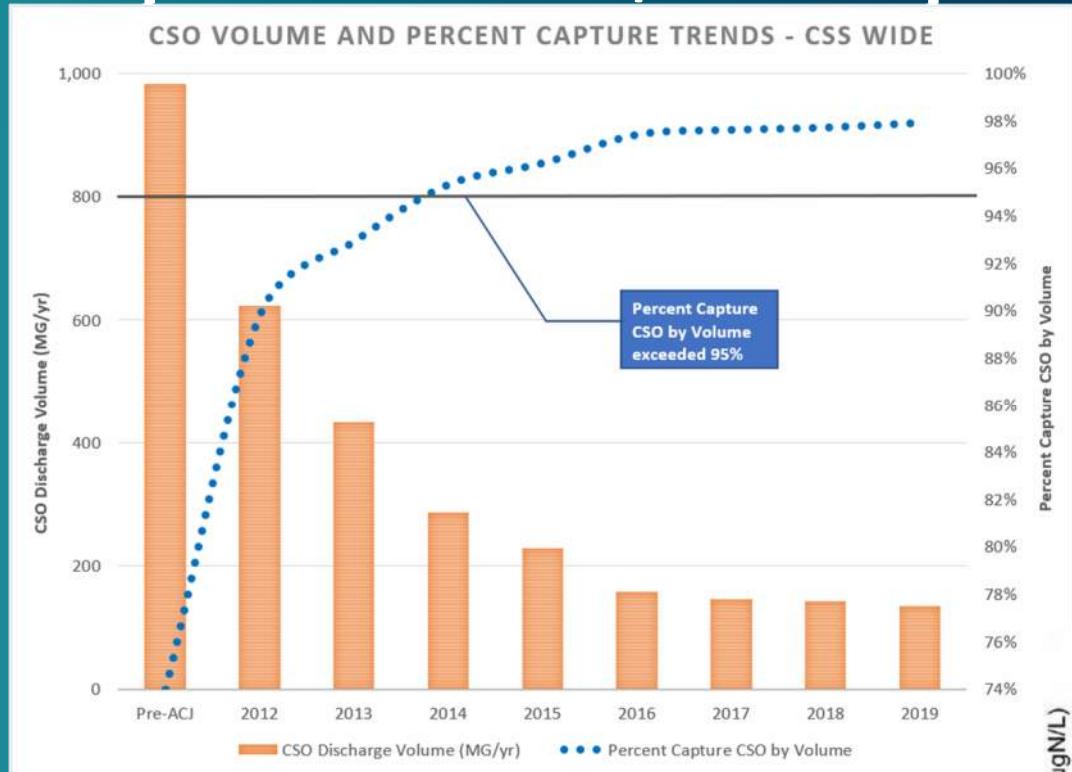


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Significant Progress and Water Quality Improvement! - \$750M spent (green and gray)



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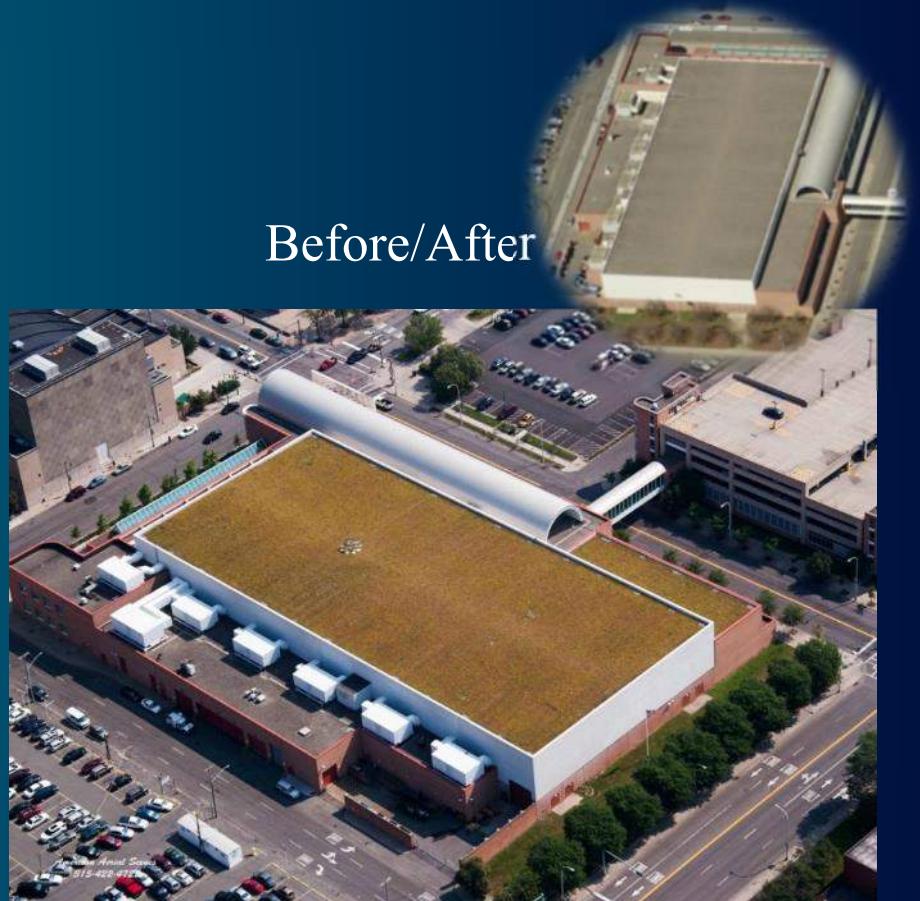
Green Infrastructure Program

Summary 2009 – 2020

- 225+ green projects throughout CSS → 190+ MG runoff reduced
- 157 MG CSO capture; \$90M



Leavenworth Park Bioswale



Before/After

OnCenter 66,000 sq.ft. Green Roof (Completed 2011)



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Gray Infrastructure Program

Summary 2009 - 2020

- 2 major storage facilities
- CSO conveyances improvements
- Several sewer separations
- Regulator modifications
- WWTP Upgrades at Metro Plant
- 469 MG CSO capture/elimination; \$305M



Lower Harbor Brook Storage Facility



Clinton Storage Facility



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Affordability – Main Driver of County's CSO Program

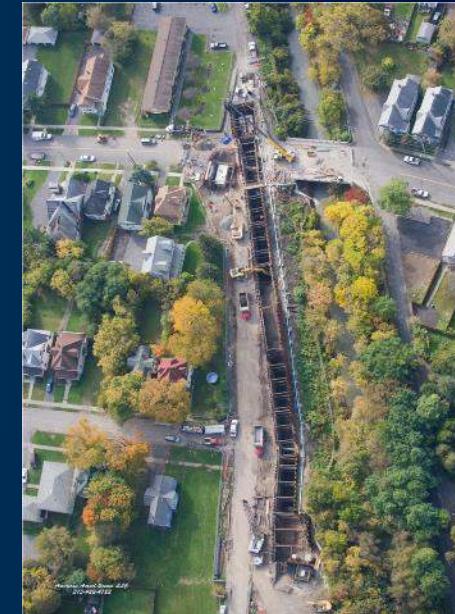
Project Type	Average County Construction Cost/Gallon of Runoff Captured or Eliminated
Offset/Voluntary Projects with no County Contribution	\$0.00
City Road Reconstruction GI	\$0.21
GIF – Ground Based	\$0.23
Gray Infrastructure – CSO Regulator Optimization	\$0.38
Green Parks	\$0.42
Green Vacant Lots	\$0.47
Green Streets (Excluding Road Reconstruction Projects)	\$0.58
GIF – Green Roofs	\$0.90
Gray Infrastructure – Sewer Separation	\$5.13
Gray Infrastructure – Storage	\$12.28



Sewer Separations

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- CSO 015 – 100,000 gal CSO Capture, \$245,000 (\$2.45/gal)
- CSOs 022 and 045 – 1MG CSO Capture, \$5.5M (\$5.50/gal)
- CSO 061 – 100,000 gal CSO Capture, \$400,000 (\$4.00/gal)
 - Average cost per gallon is \$5.13



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Sewer Optimizations

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- CSO 005 – 1 MG CSO reduction, \$200k (\$0.20/gal)
 - CSO 010 – 600k gal CSO reduction, \$657k (\$1.10/gal)
 - CSO 011 – 800k gal CSO reduction, \$0 cost
 - Constructed by the City for the County at no cost
 - CSO 014 – 100k gal CSO reduction, \$78k (\$0.78/gal)
 - 10.5 MG Flow reduction
 - CSO 075 – 1.9 MG CSO reduction, \$350k (\$0.18/gal)
 - CSO 077 – 7 MG CSO reduction, \$200k (\$0.03/gal)
- **Average cost per gallon is \$0.38**



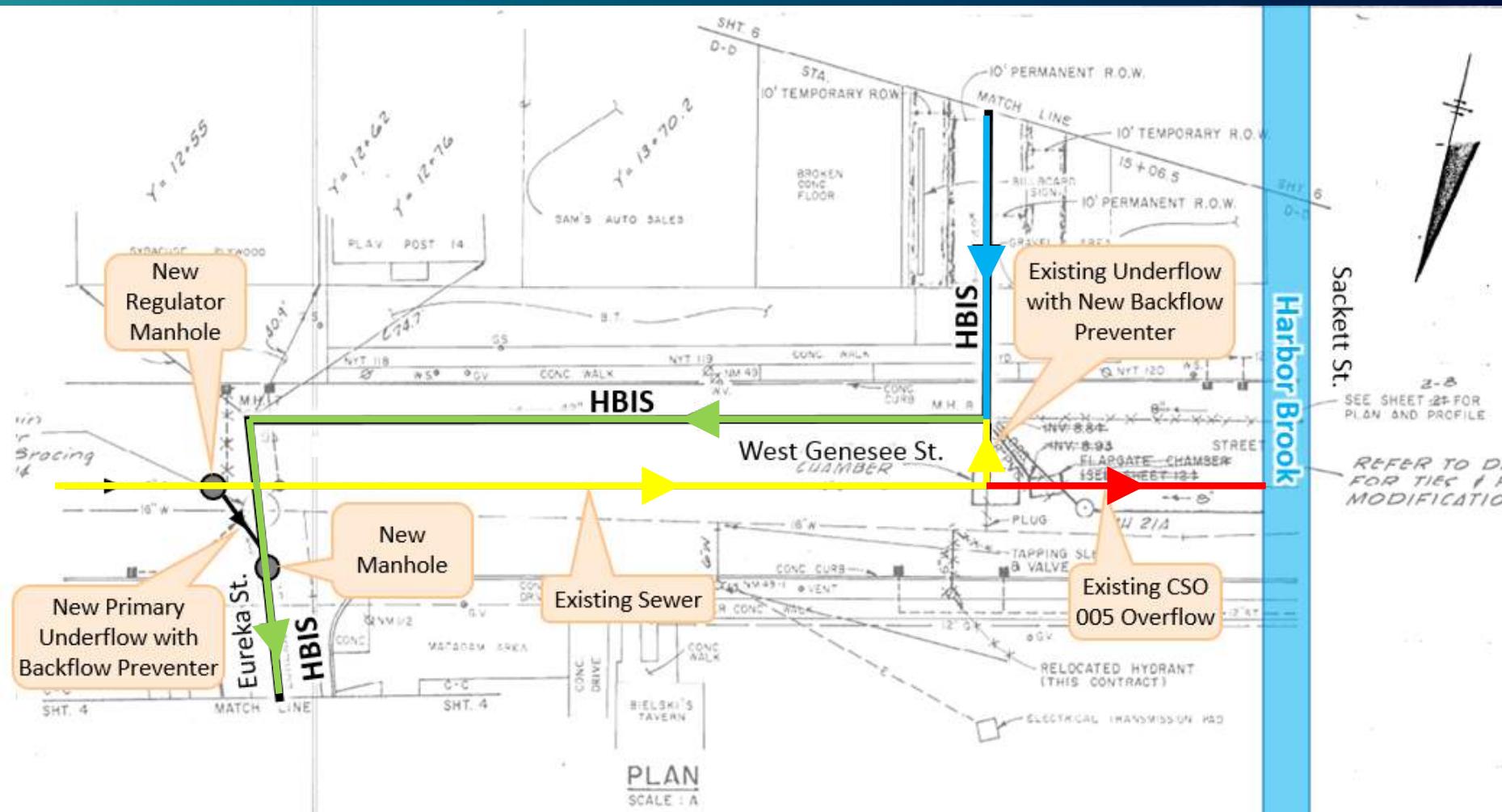
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CSO 005 Reconfiguration

Pre-Existing Conditions



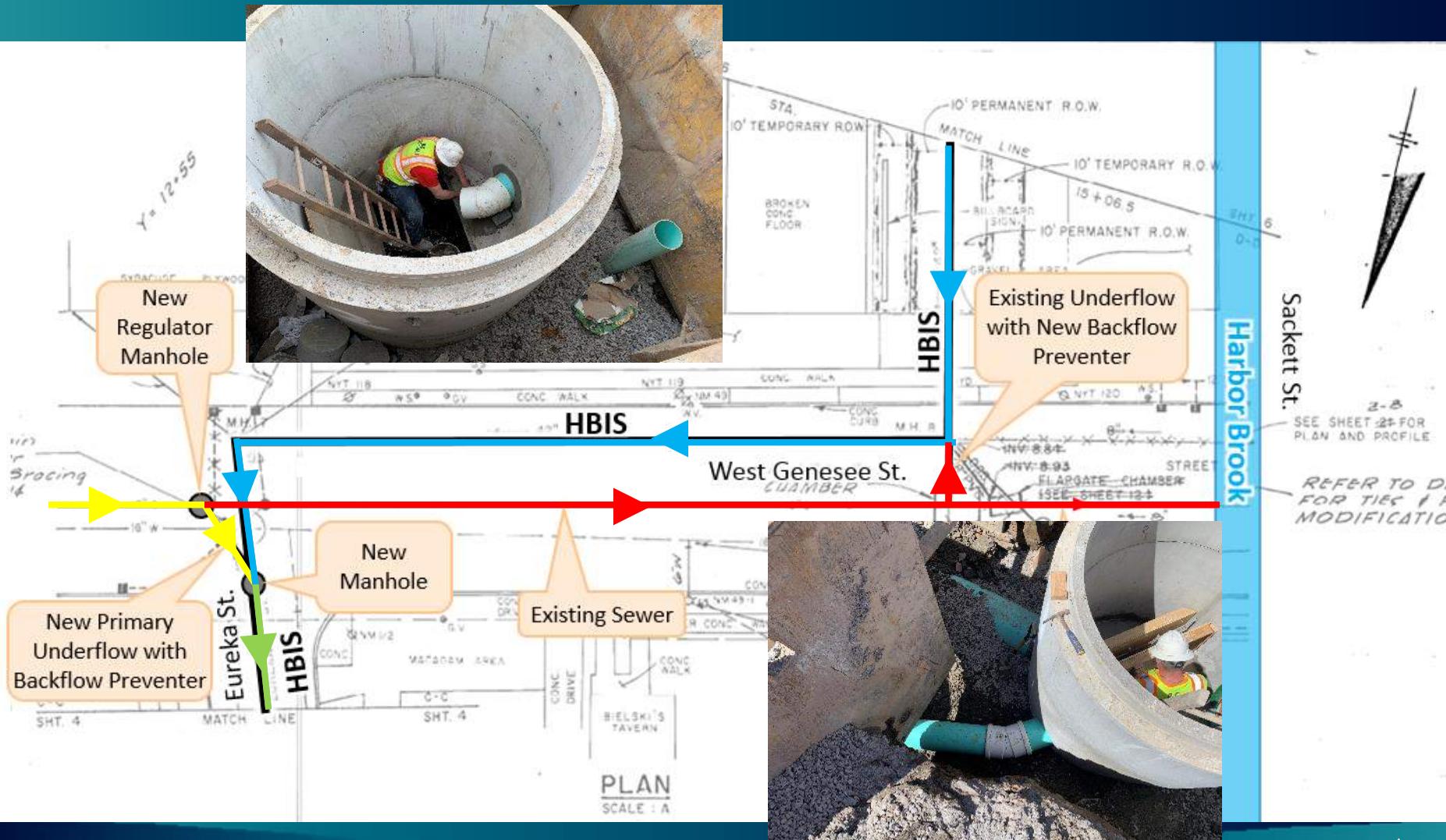
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CSO 005 Reconfiguration

Current Conditions



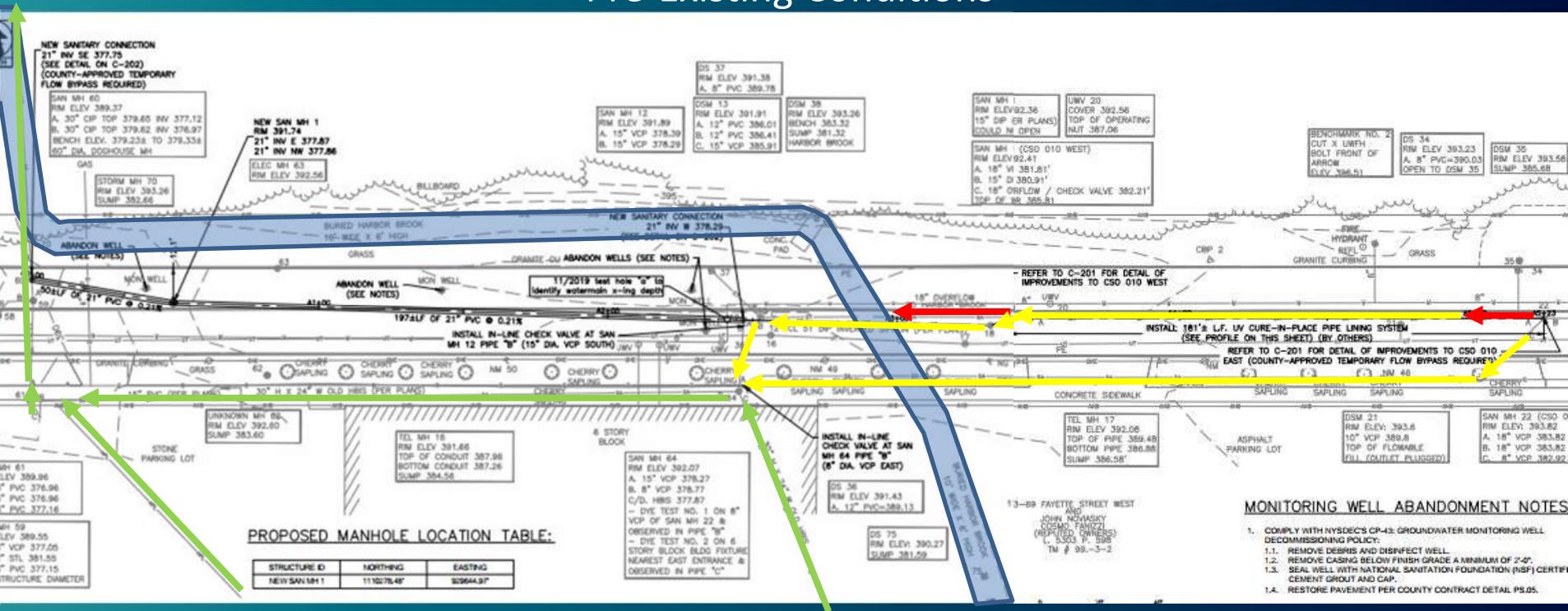
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CSO 010 Reconfiguration

Pre-Existing Conditions



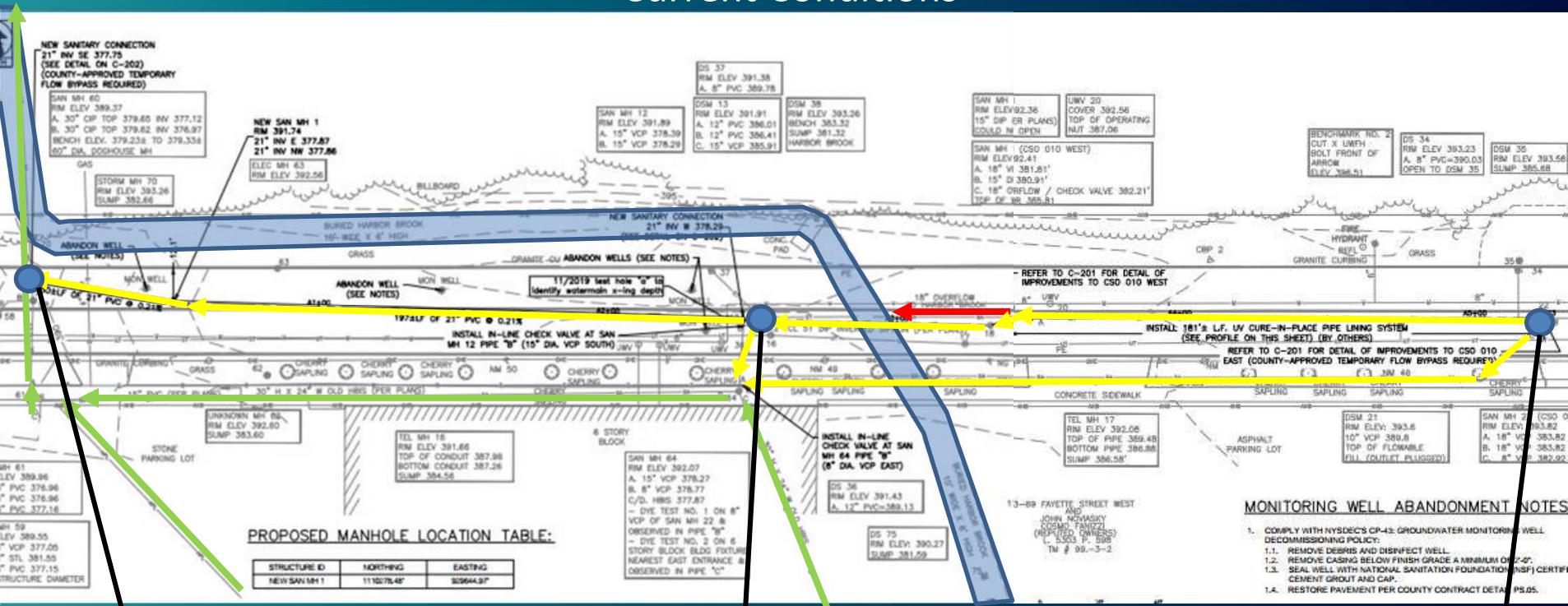
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CSO 010 Reconfiguration

Current Conditions



Executive Summary

CSO 011 Reconfiguration

Pre-Existing Conditions



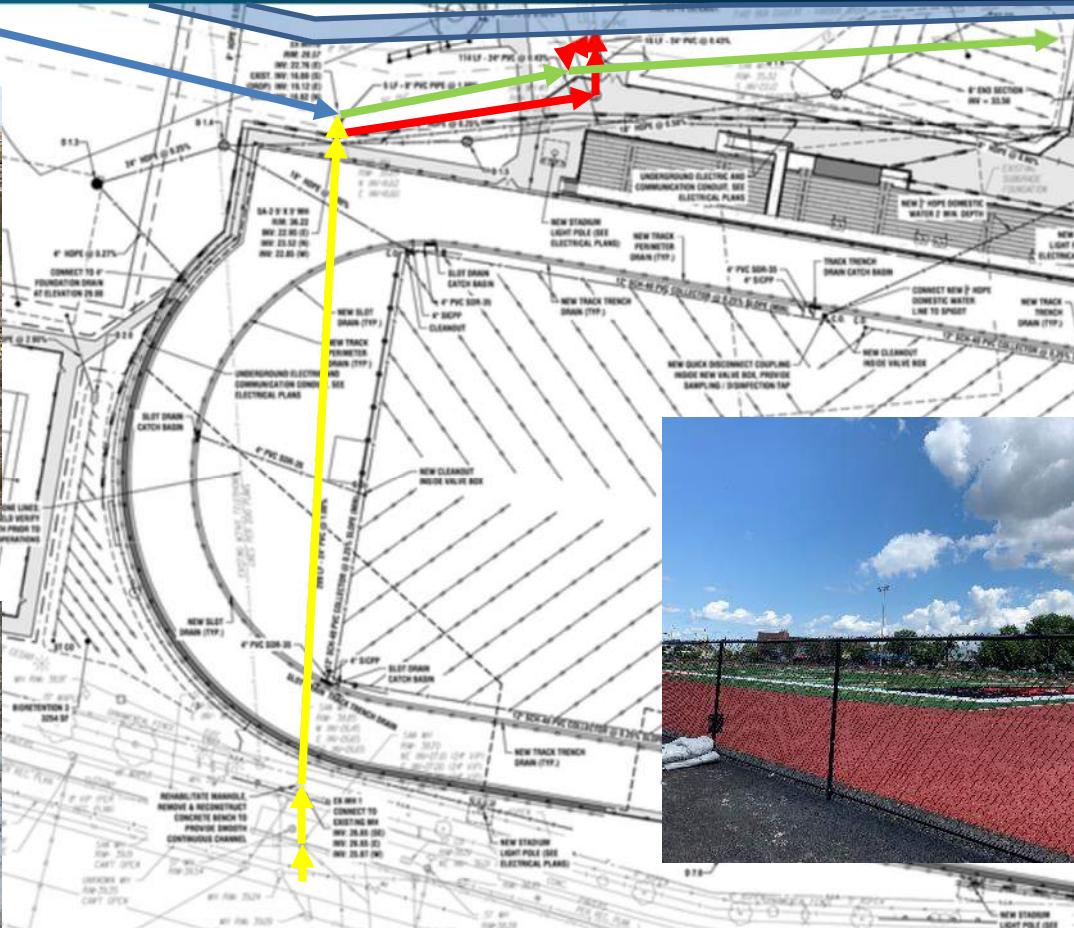
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CSO 011 Reconfiguration

Current Conditions

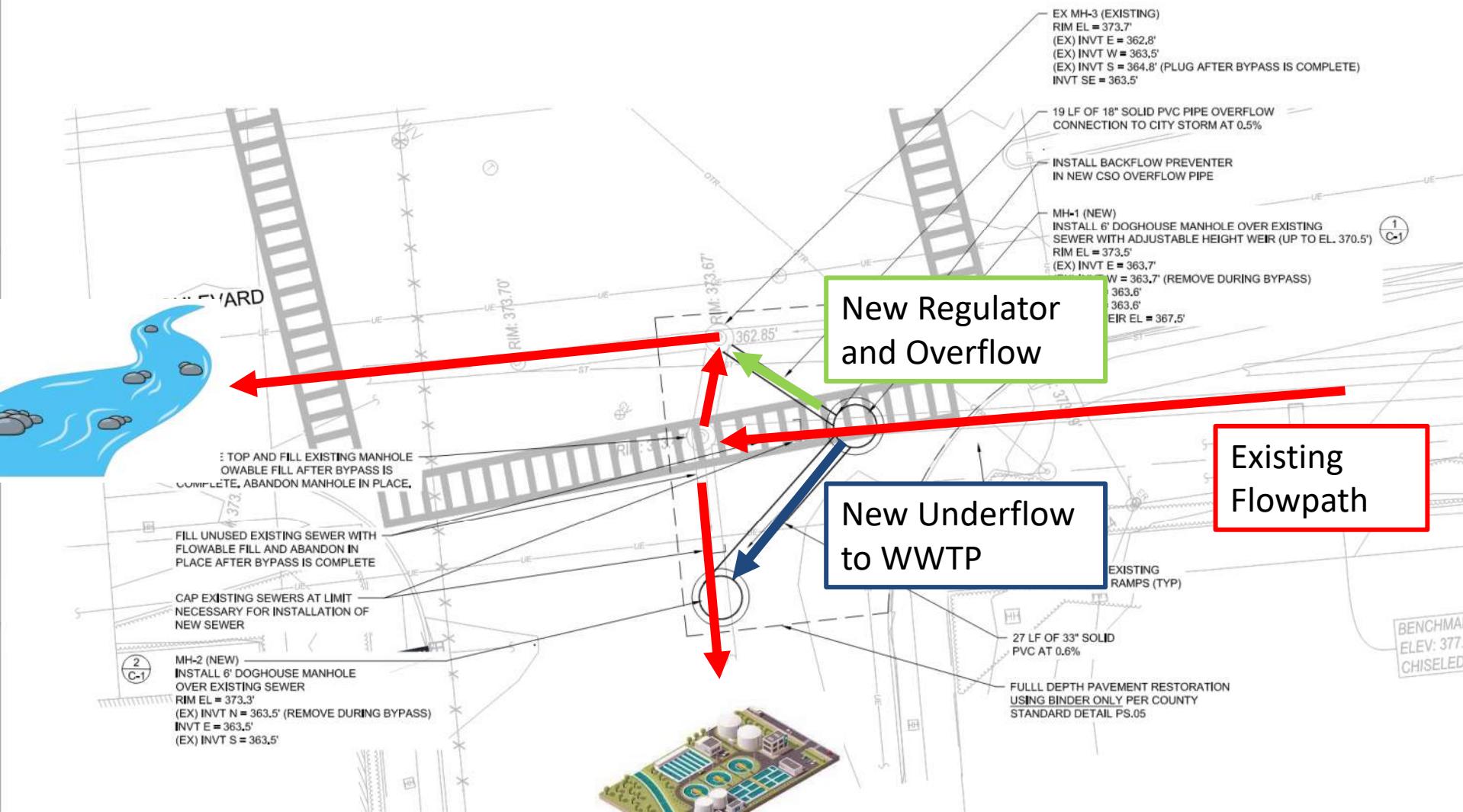


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CSO 075 Reconfiguration



CSO 075 Reconfiguration

Current Conditions



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CSO 075 Reconfiguration

Current Conditions

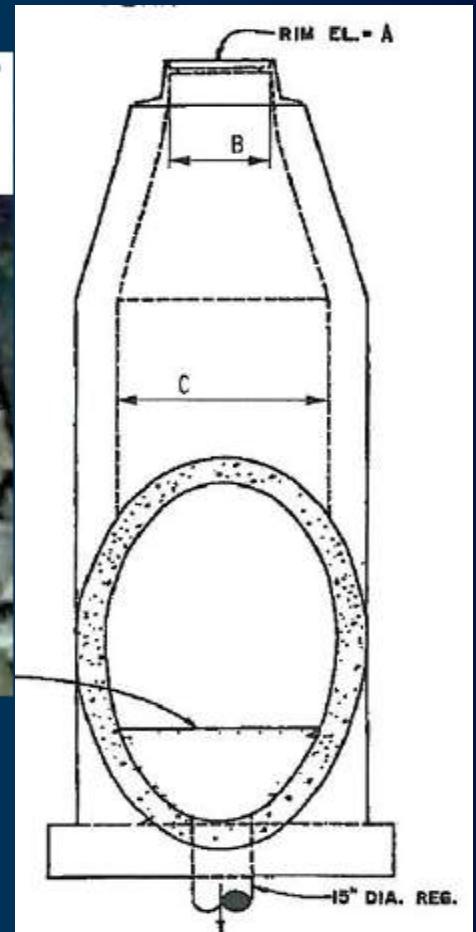


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CSO 077 Reconfiguration

Pre-Existing Conditions



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CSO 077 Reconfiguration

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Summary

- Green Average cost is \$0.30/gal
- Sewer Separation Average cost is \$5.13/gal
- CSO Regulator Modifications/Sewer Optimizations Average cost is \$0.38/gal
- Important to analyze system performance BEFORE doing work
- Working relationships with boots on the ground staff is key to understanding the systems and maintenance issues



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Closing

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